TO THE EDITOR OF SIK: No appoint celtion of late more discussion ti night, when the Ot Council reappoints a member of the E This appointment the local campaig polls on Tuesday the Council on th appointment is o of the intensity of lesue now before sons that are at ti tion that has be action of the Che may be few or D unfounded, reason but in this instan only in its relatio property for taxi bert has been in [boyhood. He be youngest man elec public office in b perience and nat best informed ma this town to-da; was appointed a I Tax Assessors, at and proper, he front of that be stranger here we prised to learn ti one of three mem body appears to Mr. Cockefulr for but much is heard tion and abuse of grieved taxpayer but west Mr. (master hand and vision and wad . asses ments in had to stand th that generally a follows an Mor taxes that prope to pay. The c angry has been 1 by the intelliger were in a positio the Tax Board c and justice. Th of commissioner and surprised w that pervaded th the assessors. Taxation, a be throughout the Judgment from view, expressed telligence, comp up the Bloomfield owners who are ditions here and erty valuations changed condition de non with the coblem had be But whether ore praised th atter. The qu onableness of he advent of loard the town se tax rate of 3.1 intents this was be opular indigua doure, and the ! rdiger by voting latious for pu bled the govern The situation erige. Public attoug to bacte wrease to tax trilidings and . ot Dearly su ficiency. It was appa vner who bad I that a four ged the town. age that Mr. ene as a men ascesors. A thorough sessment wo s made. 1 soted every seed valuation red more equi it. The inc n tested and gly will not be wi ert is assess of le few cases y be discovere terially affect present value is an indepen 1 for severs BOTS WILL OF ose of lowe nent and di e penditu will prove ! to tax rap ard unde

TOWN COUNCIL.

OPENED.

Martin J. Callahan Awarded the Contract for the Morton Street Sewer and for House Sewer Connections-Bids Opened for Broken Stone for Boad Repairs-Assistant Fire Chiefs Appointed.

adopted.

Council was the awarding of the contract for the Morton Street sewer to Martin J. Callahan, Mr. Callahan's For time and taverns—George B. tract for the Morton Street sewer to Martin J. Callahan. Mr. Callahan's bid of \$11.50 each for ours sewer connections was also the lowest for that work, as he has the only bidder. Chairman Conference on the contract to him, but Councilmen Moore and Farrand devocated laying the bid over intil some of the licensed plumber required have a chance at the contract, the same as in Montclair. Street: William Ashworth, Orange Street: William Ashworth, Orange Street: William Ashworth, Orange Street: William Parting Proposet. governing the matter was changed, there was no alternation but to grant Mr. Callaban the contract, and it was done.

Bids for broken stone for road repairs. were submitted by Councilman Conlanof the Road Committee, Only two Myrtle Avenue; John Patchlopek, Socblds were received for the work. One ond Street; Marion Gassinsky, Second was from Francisco Brothers, at \$1,70 Street. S. Scheuer & Bro., Blooma gross ton, and the other from Osborne field Avenue, and J. Reinheimer, Broad & Marsellis at \$1 to per gross ton. The Street, applied for wholesale licenses. bids were referred to the Road Com- | The total number is twenty-nine, and mittee. It was decided that nine hours represents seven new applicants in should bereafter constitute a day's addition to existing licenses. The labor under the town. It was previous- Council will act on the applications ly ten hours per day.

Under fire matters Councilman are Herman Eichhorn, First Assistant, and George Koeber, Second Assistant,

William R. Raab of Active Hose Company, No. 3, presented his written resignation from the department, and it was accepted.

Chief of Police Collins reported seven arrests during May and \$20 collected There was only one saloon license In fines. Councilman Farrand of the granted last year, Lighting Committee made a report on the placing of electric lights in Brook, next meeting of the Council will be side Place, Myrtle Avenue, and Spring the most critical point in the year in Street. It was found that, as Brook, the political career of members of the alde Place had never been accepted by Council. the town, as it had a "dead end," lights could not be placed in that thoroughfare. It was finally decided to place one large are light at the head of the street, and several lights in Myrtle Avenue and Spring Street.

An ordinance governing the salaries of the various officials was adopted, and a resolution providing for the opening and grading of Delaware Avenue, offered by Councilman Conian, was also adopted.

Lewis Cockefair was appointed a temporary assessment commissioner ou the Olive Street opening, as Henry P. Dodd, one of the commissioners, is interested in the matter.

LICENSE APPLICATIONS

CONTRACTS AWARDED AND STREETS FOR HOTELS AND SALOONS IN THIS TOWN.

> Twenty-nine Applicants in All for Licenses-An Increase of Seven Over Last Year-Applications will be Acted Upon by the Council Monday Evening. June 16.

There was a large attendance at the The most important and most largely Town Council meeting Monday might attended meeting of the present Town of the people more or less directly Council was held Monday night, when interested in local hotels and salens. the saloon-license application were All existing licenses will expire on July announced and the tax budget for the 1, and the law requires that a blicacurrent year reported, but not finally tions for license must be made one month previous to that time. The Other business transacted by the Town Clerk read the list of app cants

clair and in other neighboring towns. Street; William Parting, Prospect Mr. Farrand made a motion to that Street; Alfred Johnson, Orange Street; effect, and Mr. Unanget offered as an Thomas A. Hallinan, Broad Street; amendment to the motion that the Israel Berman, Broad Street; J. Gilbert contract given to Mr. Callahan. Brady, Bleomfield Avenue; Henry Trie-inasmuch at the was the only bidder ber, Blooms a venue; Frank Norucki, and the work call not be delayed. John Street; Elizabeth Metz, Bloom-Town Clery Johnson explained that the matter had be sufficiently advertised, and that unless the present ordinance wood Avenue. Thomas Brady, Broad Street.

The applicants for saloon licenses are: Theodore O. Steenwerth, Bloomfield Avenue; Daniel O Connor, Walnut Street; N. Duggan, Orange Street and Watsessing Avenue; K. Z. Ikowsky.

Monday evening: June 16.

One member of the Council predicts Unanget of the Fire Committee pre- the probability of the granting of at sented the recommendations of Chief least three of the new applications and Engineer Higgins of the Fire Depart. the refusal of two of the old ones. ment for Assistant Engineers. They That would mean an increase of one in the number of ficensed places in the

> Chairman Peterson recommended that the Councilmen satisfy themselves as to the fitness of each applicant and whether those applying for hotel licenses had the required accommodations,

From the politicians' stan point the

FINANCIAL BUDGET

BIG CUT PROPOSED IN CURRENT EX-PENSES

Report of the Finance Committee Recommending Appropriations -Bright Outlook for Decreased Tax Rate-Action Deferred on the Committee's Report.

Several weeks previous to the close of the past fiscal year Councilman John R. Contan introduced a resolution in the Town Council to the effect hat a special committee be appointed to make an examination of the frunning expenses of the various partments of the local government with a view to ascertaining what steps if her could be taken towards effecting eductions In the cost of government, and thereby reduce the excesively high tax rate.

The resolution was adopted and Chairman Ward oppointed Messrs. Contan and Hardson a special commit-tee to take action in ascordance with the resolution and quider report to the Council. At the special request of the both member of the newly created committee Charman Ward was delegated by Council to serve on the

Mr. Ward afterward suggested to the committee that owing to the fact that he would not be a member of the Council of this year, it would be better to have Chairman Peterson act on the

committee.

The suggest was adopted, and as soon as Mr. sterson assumed the duties of Chairman the special committee because work, and Mr. Conlan, Chairman of the special committee and the Finance Committee, submitted a report to the coincil on Monday night. and recommended the following appropriations for the current year: Incldentals, \$20,000; poor, \$1,000; road repairing, \$6,000; police, \$5,800, water \$5,000, fire, \$1,300; bonds and interest. \$15,000; street lighting, throng, schobis, sill but, equity jestimated, \$22,000, Total, \$15,000 The latter is a reduction of about \$15,000 from last year, and, if adopted, will mean a reduction in the tax rate of about 36 points, making the rate about \$2.5% Last year it was \$1.27.

The recommendation of the Pinance Committee was the subject of considerable discussion among the Councilmen Monday night. Councilmen Fargand and Moore favored laying it over until the next meeting, as they said they wanted time to look into each appropriation and find out what sum each actually needed Councilman Walker also favored laying it over, while Councilmen Unanget and Contan wanted Immediate action taken, so that the Board of Assessors could go steadily on with their work Mr. Unarget said that he sould the Finance Committee could at-wer all questions on the subject under discussion satisfactorily. and that there was no need of delay." The taxi iyers wanted a lower tax rate without crippling any department, and a tax rate somewhat below 3 per cent. would be very pleasing to them. It was finally agreed to lay the matter over for two weeks.

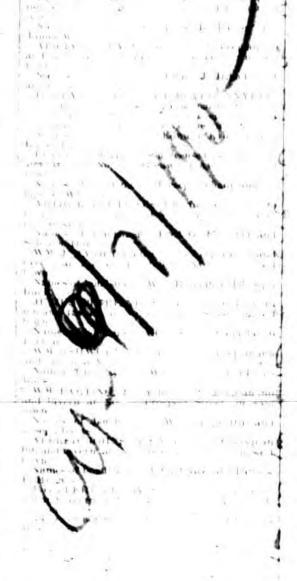
In the incidental account \$7,500 of the proposed appropriation, if adopted, will be used in paying off notes incurred in settling expenses in smallpox cases.

TOWN OF BLOOMFIELD.

NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION FOR LI-CENSE.

To Whom It May Concern

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FRANK NARUCKI, for a license to keep an inqu

and tavern at No 18 John Street, in said town. Names of bondsmen Michael Kane and Patrick MARGARET STEWART, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 200 Glenwood Avenue, Names of bondsmen Thomas Gussner and Patrick Donnelly ELIZABETH METZ, for a license to keep an inn and tavern at No. 448 Bloomfield Avenue, said town. Names of bondsmen: Philip Bickler and Louis

Schleit.
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Ld tavern at No. 404 Broad Street in said town.
And tavern at No. 404 Broad Street in said town. James Bailey.
THEODORE O STEENWERTH, for a ocense
to keep a saloon at No. 487 Bloomfield Avenue.

Names of bondsmen: Henry Treiber and Harry DANIEL O'CONNOR, for a license to keep a Names of bondsmen Thomas Higgins and Walutmin Bukowski NICHOLAS DUGGAN, for a license to keep a saloon at Noah and 3 Orange Street, in said town. Names of bondsmen: John W. Garside and Noah Hampson. CONSTANTE ZBIKOWSKY, for a license to

keep a saloon at No. 40 Myrtle Avenue, in Names of bondsmen Frank Kurowski and William Fredericks. JOHN PUTCHLOPEK for a license to keep a

Names of bandsmen Christopher Smith and John Sanok MARION GASSINSKY for a license to keep ? saloon at No 21 Second Street, in said fown. Names of bearls over Mary Puelessa and Kast MOSES SCHELLER and DAVID SCHELER doing business times of a tien name of school of ore at New 20 and of the auto I Avenue spins fland-may San hel Shaner so in

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ORDINANCE.

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Town Surveyor, \$1 per hour for every hour actually employed, and continue in his present quarters rent free. Each Commissioner of Appeal, \$3 per day for each day's service. Sewer Inspector Each member of the Board of Assessors,

\$400, the Clerk of the Board of Assessor the sum of \$100 per year extra. Ordinance adopted June 2, 1902

GEORGE PETERSON, Chairman Town Council WM. L. JOHNSON.

It will be recalled that when the bitter fight was on last winter between annexationists and anti-annexationia the former were intrenched behind strong argument based on a compar on of the respective tax rates of Newark and this town. The only answer that the opponents of sanexation could make to the unfavorable tax-rate comparison was that it was possible to reduce the town tax rate, and that it would be reduced while on the other hand the indication were that he city tax rate would a such higher and city valuations larger acreased. The anti-annexationists sare astained in both point. The town tax rate will be less than last year and the city tax rate much fligher can last year, notwith-standing reflections have been largely increased.

CORRECT PREDICTIONS.

Made by Anti-Annexationists Last

Winter When They Said that the

Town Would to Lower and the City

Tax Higher.

The city politicians have been holding to the theory that the street-railway and other disposations doing business in the city could be mulcted for a large portion of the taxes, but the corporations have successfully defeated the schemes of the city politicians both in the courts od before the State Board of Taxation

At the meeting of the Common Council last web the tax ordinance for the current year was introduced and passed to second reading. For department expenses the sum of \$2,447,830 was appropriated, against \$2,351,014 for the previous year, an increase of \$96,786, The appropriation this year includes \$2,187,830 to be raised this year, and \$260 000 provided for a special appropriation to be made from the city's receipts from liquor threnses and other miscellaneous sources of revenue. In addition to the amount to be raised by taxation there is \$4 5,123 also included in the tax levy for the payment of interest on the city debt and for sinking funds, so that the total to be raised by taxation is \$2,683,650, against \$2,535,562 for the preceding year, an Increase of \$1 17,507.

The Board of Works will have only \$7,308 more this year than last. There is more for lighting, street cleaning. cavenger work, but less for sewers and salaties. In schools the appropriation is the same as last year, but \$15,000 is specifically set aside for increase of principals' and teachers' salaries. The Police Department has \$25,000 more, but the Fire Department about \$11 can less, though a special appropriation of \$6 500 is made for a fire water tower and \$12,000 for engine houses, sites, etc. a

The increase in appropriations for interest and sinking funds is to provide \$16.40 for Interest on \$500 bent trackelevation bonds, and \$10,000 to create seinking fund to meet the bonds when due . Then there are new items of \$9,320,55 to pay the Interest on \$300,000 new City Hospital bonds, and \$6,000 for a sinking fond for the same issue.

The expenses of the city have increased by reason of public improvements, and these require so much more money that, in spite of increased valuations of real estate, the rate grows greater. Efforts to have the trolley companies and other comipublic corporations pay their shere have been defeated, chiefly by's the State Board of Tagation. The Sunday Call says: "In spite of

the increased assessments apos real estate and efforts to cut down Appro ations considered necessary by practical men, the city tax rate will be higher than last year. The reason why this severe burden falls upon the small property-owners of the city, and upon the tenants of their houses, is that a large amount of corporate property escapes taxation. Through the aid of the State Board of Taxation the North Jersey Street Kallroad Company le evanling a large part of its taxation and other companies are dodging almost as successfully. In addition to this wrong, the State is taking-for extravagant uses a great amount every year of the taxes paid by insuresce and wither companies. Against these police methods every taxpayer should pr and the time for protesting the fourth day of November and when the city and State elections are b

Against the Mignbe Petitions are being numer throughout the town of Number removal of objectionable Those that are not removed by poster should be dealt with by which can place a license this form of nuisance that very much curtail this of of advertising.

the Board otherwise IPATER.



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